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## CROP PRICES CONTINUE TO RISE

Prices received by Minnesota farmers for corn for April averaged \$6.10 per bushel, an increase of \$0.85 from the March price. Soybeans were up \$0.20, to an April price of \$12.70 per bushel.

The all milk price for April, at \$19.10 per cwt., was down \$1.80 from March.

The preliminary U.S. All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in April, at 174 percent, based on 1990-92=100, is up 1.2 percent from the March index. The Crop Index is 195, up 0.5 percent from March. The Livestock & Products Index, at 156, is 2.6 percent above March.

## AVERAGE PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

Commodity And Unit	U.S.	-----Minnesota-----		
	Apr 2011 1/	Apr 2010 2/	Mar 2011 2/	Apr 2011 1/
Barley, Feed & Malting, bu .....	4.62	3/	3/	3/
Beans, Dry Edible, All, cwt.....	31.10	30.70	34.70	3/
Corn, bu .....	6.40	3.23	5.25	6.10
Hay, All Baled, ton.....	141.00	103.00	100.00	105.00
Alfalfa, Baled, ton.....	155.00	115.00	110.00	115.00
Other, Baled, ton.....	103.00	80.00	80.00	80.00
Oats, bu .....	3.40	1.89	3.10	3.30
Potatoes, cwt.....	11.41	7.45	7.00	3/
Soybeans, bu .....	12.80	9.23	12.50	12.70
Sunflowers, All, cwt .....	29.40	16.40	28.20	3/
Wheat, All, bu.....	8.18	4.44	6.81	3/
Milk, All, cwt .....	19.70	14.60	20.90	19.10

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Entire month data. 3/Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual firms.

## U.S. INDEX SUMMARY (1990-92 = 100)

Item	Mar 2010	Apr 2010	Mar 2011	Apr 2011
Prices Received .....	142	138	172	174
Prices Paid (Interest, Taxes, Wage Rates) .....	180	181	201	204
Parity Ratio 1/.....	79	76	86	85

1/ Computed by dividing Prices Received Index by Prices Paid Index.

## U.S. INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED (1990-92 = 100)

Commodities	Apr 2010 1/	Mar 2011 1/	Apr 2011 2/
All Farm Products.....	138	172	174
Crops .....	150	194	195
Meat Animals .....	128	151	159
Dairy Products.....	112	156	151
Poultry & Eggs .....	146	150	158

1/ Entire month data. 2/ Preliminary.

**Thank you to all the producers who responded to the 2010 Agricultural Research Management Survey (ARMS III).**

**Your participation ensures that decisions affecting you, your family, your business, and your community are based on the facts.**

**SOYBEANS: Acreage, Yield, and Production,  
by County and District, Minnesota, 2009-10**

County and District 1/	Planted Acreage		Harvested Acreage		Yield Per Harvested Acre		Production	
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009 2/	2010 3/	2009	2010
	----- Acres -----		----- Acres -----		----- Bushels -----		----- Bushels -----	
Becker	96,000	87,300	94,900	85,400	28.0	33.7	2,638,000	2,879,000
Clay	200,000	193,000	198,000	191,300	29.0	36.0	5,776,000	6,878,000
Clearwater	12,000	12,600	10,800	12,500	20.0	30.1	214,000	376,000
Kittson	91,300	101,500	90,300	100,500	27.5	34.1	2,474,000	3,431,000
Mahnomen	70,300	70,600	69,500	66,200	25.0	32.9	1,744,000	2,180,000
Marshall	197,500	207,000	195,500	204,000	26.5	31.7	5,203,000	6,457,000
Norman	185,500	184,000	183,500	183,000	28.5	33.9	5,259,000	6,197,000
Pennington	95,500	93,000	94,500	91,600	23.5	29.4	2,240,000	2,692,000
Polk	255,500	272,000	253,000	269,000	29.0	34.4	7,394,000	9,256,000
Red Lake	68,000	67,500	67,300	67,000	27.5	32.5	1,863,000	2,177,000
Roseau	68,400	105,500	67,700	103,500	24.5	29.7	1,663,000	3,070,000
<b>Northwest</b>	1,340,000	1,394,000	1,325,000	1,374,000	27.5	33.2	36,468,000	45,593,000
Big Stone	112,500	116,000	111,300	115,000	39.0	41.1	4,313,000	4,722,000
Chippewa	99,700	102,500	98,600	101,700	43.0	48.6	4,252,000	4,938,000
Douglas	73,800	75,000	73,000	74,300	33.0	41.0	2,391,000	3,046,000
Grant	110,500	110,500	109,300	109,000	36.5	41.2	3,967,000	4,494,000
Lac Qui Parle	165,500	172,500	163,700	170,500	42.5	45.4	6,974,000	7,744,000
Otter Tail	142,000	157,000	140,500	155,500	33.0	39.5	4,609,000	6,143,000
Pope	82,000	89,500	81,100	88,600	37.5	41.9	3,045,000	3,714,000
Stevens	110,000	112,000	108,800	110,900	36.5	44.8	3,955,000	4,973,000
Swift	129,500	129,000	128,100	128,000	40.0	46.8	5,126,000	5,984,000
Traverse	142,000	146,500	140,700	145,000	36.5	40.2	5,110,000	5,823,000
Wilkin	161,500	170,500	159,700	169,500	29.0	36.7	4,598,000	6,220,000
Yellow Medicine	164,000	171,000	162,200	168,000	41.0	46.2	6,665,000	7,760,000
<b>West Central</b>	1,493,000	1,552,000	1,477,000	1,536,000	37.0	42.7	55,005,000	65,561,000
Benton	29,500	33,000	29,200	32,800	38.0	42.8	1,108,000	1,404,000
Carver	38,600	39,000	38,200	38,800	46.5	51.6	1,769,000	2,004,000
Kandiyohi	109,000	107,000	107,900	106,000	44.0	47.6	4,766,000	5,045,000
McLeod	87,000	92,500	86,000	91,700	43.5	48.9	3,760,000	4,481,000
Meeker	104,500	105,500	103,600	104,400	42.5	48.5	4,383,000	5,059,000
Morrison	22,300	25,500	22,100	25,400	37.0	45.8	813,000	1,163,000
Renville	191,500	201,000	189,700	199,000	46.0	51.8	8,686,000	10,309,000
Scott	30,300	35,000	30,000	34,800	46.5	51.1	1,399,000	1,780,000
Sherburne	16,000	16,000	15,800	15,900	35.5	39.8	562,000	633,000
Sibley	115,000	122,000	113,800	120,800	46.0	52.2	5,221,000	6,308,000
Stearns	93,000	99,000	92,000	98,300	42.5	45.8	3,909,000	4,502,000
Todd	36,200	40,000	35,600	39,200	32.5	39.5	1,150,000	1,547,000
Wadena	7,100	7,200	6,800	7,100	36.5	41.1	247,000	292,000
Wright	72,000	77,300	71,300	76,800	44.0	47.2	3,127,000	3,625,000
<b>Central</b>	952,000	1,000,000	942,000	991,000	43.5	48.6	40,900,000	48,152,000

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Aitkin	--	5,000	--	4,900	--	39.6	--	194,000
Anoka	--	3,000	--	3,000	--	40.7	--	122,000
Chisago	23,300	26,100	22,900	25,800	27.5	43.1	634,000	1,113,000
Crow Wing	--	1,400	--	1,300	--	32.3	--	42,000
Hennepin	14,900	14,000	14,800	13,600	47.5	46.5	704,000	632,000
Isanti	26,900	26,700	26,700	26,400	25.5	37.2	679,000	981,000
Kanabec	10,700	13,000	10,600	12,900	30.5	42.3	324,500	546,000
Mille Lacs	16,500	16,700	16,400	16,600	37.5	42.5	611,000	705,000
Pine	12,900	12,200	12,600	12,100	34.0	42.3	430,000	512,000
Washington	13,500	13,900	13,500	13,800	46.5	47.8	630,000	660,000
Combined Counties	10,800	--	9,700	--	33.0	--	322,500	--
<b>East Central</b>	129,500	132,000	127,200	130,400	34.0	42.2	4,335,000	5,507,000
Cottonwood	147,500	156,500	145,900	153,000	47.0	46.5	6,832,000	7,111,000
Jackson	176,000	173,000	174,000	170,500	49.0	48.7	8,491,000	8,300,000
Lincoln	95,600	106,000	94,600	104,000	40.0	44.8	3,806,000	4,661,000
Lyon	153,000	158,000	151,300	155,500	41.0	48.2	6,167,000	7,498,000
Murray	160,000	170,000	158,200	168,500	47.0	50.3	7,455,000	8,481,000
Nobles	171,000	181,000	169,200	178,800	47.5	50.8	8,010,000	9,086,000
Pipestone	91,900	95,000	90,900	94,200	44.0	48.8	4,010,000	4,596,000
Redwood	209,000	219,000	207,000	217,000	45.5	51.3	9,443,000	11,125,000
Rock	109,000	111,500	107,900	110,500	49.5	54.3	5,356,000	5,997,000
<b>Southwest</b>	1,313,000	1,370,000	1,299,000	1,352,000	46.0	49.4	59,570,000	66,855,000
Blue Earth	161,000	165,500	159,000	162,500	47.0	48.1	7,490,000	7,818,000
Brown	126,000	124,500	124,600	123,200	44.5	51.3	5,530,000	6,314,000
Faribault	174,000	171,500	172,000	169,000	49.0	50.3	8,392,000	8,509,000
Freeborn	148,500	143,000	146,900	141,800	42.5	49.1	6,266,000	6,956,000
Le Sueur	78,500	80,000	77,600	78,900	45.0	49.5	3,504,000	3,909,000
Martin	161,000	162,500	159,500	160,000	50.0	49.1	7,969,000	7,856,000
Nicollet	85,400	82,500	84,500	81,200	44.0	51.0	3,735,000	4,138,000
Rice	69,700	68,500	68,900	67,100	47.5	53.8	3,274,000	3,611,000
Steele	83,200	80,500	82,500	79,000	43.0	51.6	3,535,000	4,079,000
Waseca	89,700	87,000	88,800	85,800	47.5	51.2	4,201,000	4,392,000
Watsonwan	105,000	102,500	103,700	100,500	48.0	48.3	4,959,000	4,850,000
<b>South Central</b>	1,282,000	1,268,000	1,268,000	1,249,000	46.5	50.0	58,855,000	62,432,000
Dakota	54,700	51,000	54,100	50,700	46.5	50.9	2,515,000	2,583,000
Dodge	88,600	88,600	87,700	88,000	44.0	51.9	3,871,000	4,568,000
Fillmore	88,100	95,700	87,100	94,900	44.0	54.0	3,818,000	5,129,000
Goodhue	96,800	95,000	95,800	94,200	47.0	52.9	4,512,000	4,979,000
Houston	26,300	26,500	26,000	26,200	45.5	51.9	1,188,000	1,361,000
Mower	163,000	156,000	161,400	154,700	42.0	50.9	6,788,000	7,873,000
Olmsted	76,700	72,000	75,800	71,200	43.5	54.0	3,311,000	3,845,000
Wabasha	40,100	40,000	39,700	39,100	44.5	52.3	1,759,000	2,044,000
Winona	28,700	29,200	28,400	29,000	43.5	56.1	1,242,000	1,627,000
<b>Southeast</b>	663,000	654,000	656,000	648,000	44.0	52.5	29,004,000	34,009,000
<b>Combined Districts</b>	27,500	30,000	25,800	29,600	25.5	28.4	663,000	841,000
<b>Minnesota</b>	7,200,000	7,400,000	7,120,000	7,310,000	40.0	45.0	284,800,000	328,950,000

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## USDA SURVEYS TO PROVIDE INSIGHT ON 2011 AGRICULTURE OUTLOOK

With the 2011 growing season now in full swing, USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will spend the first two weeks of June surveying hundreds of farmers across Minnesota to get a clear indication of the production and supply of major commodities for the year. The information provided will be compiled into one publically accessible report and maintain confidentiality of individual farmer information.

Through two major mid-year surveys, the June Agricultural Survey and the June Area Survey, NASS will gather data on what crops have been planted and what commodities are in storage. This information will provide a comprehensive picture of how things are shaping up in 2011 for the U.S. agriculture industry.

"For the agricultural survey, we contact producers by mail, phone or personal visit. We ask them to provide information on their total acreage, acres planted to specific commodities – including biotech varieties, and quantities of grains and oilseeds stored on-farm," said Director Doug Hartwig.

"For the area survey, we visit randomly selected tracts of land and interview the operators of any farm or ranch on that land. We collect information on crop acreage – including biotech crops, as well as grain stocks, livestock inventory, cash rents, land values, and value of sales."

This information is a critical component of several key national reports, including the annual *Acreage* report and the quarterly *Grain Stocks* report, both to be released on June 30. Survey data also contribute to NASS's monthly and annual *Crop Production* reports and various other crop and livestock- related publications, including USDA's *World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates*.

Douglas Hartwig  
Director

## MARCH EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM ONE YEAR AGO

Minnesota layers produced 240 million eggs during March 2011, a 1 percent decrease from March 2010. Laying flocks in the U.S. produced 7.8 billion eggs in March, nearly equal to last year.

### POULTRY STATS – MARCH

		2010	2011
Total Eggs	MN	243 Mil.	240 Mil.
Produced	U.S.	7,839 Mil.	7,834 Mil.
Number of	MN	10.5 Mil.	10.4 Mil.
Layers	U.S.	342.1 Mil.	340.3 Mil.
Eggs per	MN	2,325	2,297
100 Layers	U.S.	2,291	2,302
CHICKENS:			
Hatched (March)			
Egg-Type	U.S.	44.9 Mil.	44.0 Mil.
Broiler-Type	U.S.	787.9 Mil.	794.0 Mil.
Eggs in			
Incubators (April 1)			
Egg-Type	WNC*	9.0 Mil.	8.8 Mil.
	U.S.	43.0 Mil.	40.1 Mil.
Broiler-Type	WNC*	28.2 Mil.	28.5 Mil.
	U.S.	641.7 Mil.	649.8 Mil.
TURKEYS:			
Hatched (March)	U.S.	23.0 Mil.	23.6 Mil.
Eggs in	U.S.	28.8 Mil.	27.7 Mil.
Incubators (April 1)			.

\*West North Central Region (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North & South Dakota, Minnesota.)

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